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Rep. Kremer Statement on the Release of the 2016 Family Prosperity Index

Madison, WI – Representative Jesse Kremer (R-Kewaskum) issued the following statements regarding the recent release of the Family Prosperity Initiative's 2016 study, in which Wisconsin ranks 18th nationally for family prosperity.

"The report released this week ranked Wisconsin 18th nationally on the Family Prosperity Index and contained some important, but unsettling information about the socio-economic prospects of families in our state. Wisconsin scored poorly on entrepreneurship (50th), has a low marriage rate (44th), and the people who could help boost these numbers - business executives and other community leaders - are leaving Wisconsin in alarming numbers.

"As an entrepreneur myself, I know what kind of impact state and local policies can have on a person's ability to turn an idea into a small business. The economists who authored the Wisconsin report recommend that state leaders move to reduce the tax burden on families and businesses. I couldn't agree more.

"I plan to study Wisconsin's report along with the full 2016 Family Prosperity Index study to see what other factors we can improve on to move Wisconsin into the top tier. I'm grateful for the hard work that went into the creation of this Index and the information that can help point our state and nation to greater prosperity."

2016 Family Prosperity Index: http://familyprosperity.org/application/files/6714/6710/4661/FPI-2016-Paper-FullPublication-Rev6-22-16.pdf

Wisconsin Family Prosperity Index:

http://familyprosperity.org/application/files/9314/6712/8986/WisconsinFPI-Paper-DRAFT4.pdf

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